## IT Career Panel: Insights into the World of IT at JPL

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The first IT career panel will consist of professionals from different segments of the IT community on Lab including Flight Software, Science and Instrument Software, Software Systems Engineering, IT Infrastructure, and Web Development. Panel members include:

**Robert Denise**, Cognizant Engineer, Mars Exploration Rover Flight Software (345)

**Robert Vargo**, Deputy Manager, Science Data Processing Systems Section (388)

**Steve Jenkins**, Manager, Architecture and System Engineering Office (177)

**Bill Seixas**, Manager, Enterprise Infrastructure Office (175)

**Jayne Dutra**, Team Lead, JPL Knowledge Navigation Team (389) JPL's Center for Space Mission Information and Software Systems (CSMISS) is sponsoring the first in a quarterly series of Information Technology (IT) Career Panels. This new series, coordinated by the CSMISS IT Workforce Enrichment Element, is intended to provide insight into the careers, career paths, interests, and technical strengths of IT professionals here at JPL. The goal of this series is to demonstrate what is possible in an IT career here at JPL, to highlight the diverse and dynamic nature of both the IT field itself and of IT practitioners, and to illustrate the various aspects of pursuing a career in IT. The IT Career Panels will be moderated, and each panelist will speak briefly on such topics as:

- their education and work experience leading to their current position in IT
- what motivated them to work in the IT field
- the various paths their careers have taken
- the criteria they use for a job change in the IT field
- the skills they feel help them to be effective on the job
- any advice they might have for people at various stages in their IT careers at JPL



CSMISS IT Career Panel Series: Providing insight into IT careers and career paths at JPL for IT Practitioners and IT Managers

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